

California Regional Water Quality Control Board Los Angeles Region

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March 9, 2011

Peter Nash Shultz Steel Co. 5321 Firestone Blvd. South Gate, CA 90280

Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7010 1670 0002 4237 8406

NOTICE OF VIOLATION: THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) GENERAL PERMIT FOR STORMWATER DISCHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES (ORDER NO. 97-03-DWQ; CAS000001) WDID NO. 4191002437

Dear Peter Nash:

Shultz Steel Co. (hereinafter "Permittee"), located at 5321 Firestone Blvd. in the City of South Gate, is regulated under the General Industrial Stormwater Permit (Permit) and is identified by WDID No. 419I002437. The Permittee's Notice of Intent (NOI) was processed by the State Water Resources Control Board on April 1, 1992.

As specified in the Permit, the Permittee is required to develop a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), in which the permittee must identify potential sources of pollution and describe site specific Best Management Practices (BMPs) to be implemented in order to eliminate or reduce storm water pollution from the facility.

Regional Board staff reviewed your 2008-2009 Annual Report, including the stormwater analytical sampling data, and determined that analytical results were higher than the benchmark values for Total Suspended Solids (TSS), Specific Conductance (SC), Oil and Grease (OG), Total Organic Carbon (TOC), Copper (Cu), Lead (Pb) and Zinc (Zn).

In our letter dated March 24, 2010, you were required to submit, by April 26, 2010, a report including evidence of your implementing additional (effective) BMPs and an amendment to your SWPPP in order to reduce water pollution from your facility and to ensure full compliance with the Permit. To date, the Regional Board has not received the required documents.

You are hereby notified that you are in violation of NPDES General Permit Order No. 97-03-DWQ (General Industrial Storm Water Permit CAS000001) by failing to provide the following documents;

- 1. Evidence of implementation of additional BMPs
- 2. Amendment to the SWPPP

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Failure to amend your SWPPP to ensure compliance with the General Permit is a violation of Permit Sections A.8.a, A.8.b, A.9, A.10.b, and A.10.f. Failure to submit the required report (SWPPP amendment) violates the requirements of the General Permit and the California Water Code, and the Federal Clean Water Act.

You are required to submit a written response 1) confirming you have corrected these violations with a brief description of how you have corrected them, or 2) identifying when you will have completed correcting these violations and a brief description of how you will correct them. Submit your written response by April 11, 2011 to:

Sean Lee Regional Water Quality Control Board- Los Angeles Region 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013- 2343

These violations of the General Permit subject you to enforcement actions, including administrative civil liabilities up to \$10,000 per day for each violation pursuant to California Water Code section 13385. The matter may be referred to the Attorney General for further enforcement. The Regional Board reserves its right to take any further enforcement action authorized by law.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Sean Lee at (213) 620-2202.

Sincerely,

Paula Rasmussen, Chief

Compliance and Enforcement Section

cc: Mohammad Mostahkami, City of South Gate, Department of Public Works

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